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"Observers see in the appointment of T.V. Soong as Governor of Kwangtung Province an effort towards agricultural rehabilitation and development in that area to serve as a model for all of China and to renew faith in the investment of foreign and overseas Chinese capital. The appointment of Dr. Soong is also taken as indication by many observers of the commencement of a 'decentralization' trend of provincial administration along US state lines. If such is the case, it is the most important political move yet seen and, judging by past history, the only one likely to produce anything like efficient government out of the mess which represents government in China today."

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